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Duwamish River Festival August 12!

Food, fun, kids' activities, face painting, live music, Bert the Salmon, health information, yard care tips, prizes & giveaways and learn about the Superfund Cleanup on the Duwamish!

(Seattle, WA. - Aug. 10, 2006) On Saturday August 12, 2006, federal, state, local agencies and community organizations will host the city's second *Duwamish River Festival* at Duwamish River Park in South Park, (7900 10th Avenue South, on the Duwamish River, Seattle). The festival will run from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., featuring local music, children's activities, kayak tours and river cleanup and restoration information.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 10, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition and others will be on hand to provide the latest information on cleanup of the Lower Duwamish Waterway Superfund site and a wide range of environmental topics, including local watersheds, Duwamish salmon, environmental health, community grants, natural yard care and more. Staff will be on hand to provide Spanish translation of information.

"This festival provides an excellent opportunity for people to talk to EPA, Ecology and other organizations working together on the cleanup of the Lower Duwamish waterway Superfund site," said Sheila Eckman, EPA's Unit Manager for the site.

A free Water Taxi will run continuously from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. between Gateway Park North, which is across the river in Georgetown, and the festival site at Duwamish River Park.

The event is sponsored by the following organizations:

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 10
- Washington State Department of Ecology
- Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition (DRCC)
- King County
- City of Seattle
- Green/Duwamish and Central Puget Sound Watershed Forum
- Washington State Department of Health (DOH)
- Public Health Seattle-King County
- Port of Seattle
- The Boeing Company
- Seattle Parks and Recreation
- Alki Kayak Tours
- Global Diving and Salvage

For more information about the Duwamish Superfund site you can go to EPA's Website:
<http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/cleanup.nsf/sites/lduwamish>